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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE CHILD (IYC):

PARTICIPATION BY UN FUND FOR DRUG ABUSE CONTROL (UNFDAC)

- 1. IN RESPONSE TO UNGA'S IYC RESOLUTION AND IN ACCORD WITH SUPPORT FOR IYC EXPRESSED DURING FEBRUARY MEETING OF COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS, UNFDAC HAS COLLABORATED WITH DIVISION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS IN ESTABLISHING RESEARCH PROJECT ON SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS INVOLVING CHILDREN AND DRUG ABUSE. PROJECT WAS APPROVED BY UNFDAC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REXED ON MARCH 17; IT WILL BE EXECUTED THIS YEAR SO RESULTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLICIZING DURING 1979 IYC.
- 2. PROJECT WILL COST \$32,500 AND CONSIST OF THREE COMPONENTS, FOCUSSING ON

A. DETERMINATION OF THE INCIDENCE OF DRUG ABUSE AND ADDICTION AMONG CHILDREN UNDER 16 YEARS OF AGE IN A DEVELOPING COUNTRY (E.G. MALAYSIA) AND THE VARIOUS FACTORS (E.G. SOCIAL, FAMILY, AVAILABILITY, SOURCES, ATTITUDES, RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL, ETC.) RESPONSIBLE FOR AND ASSOCIATED WITH THIS PHENOMENON. THIS STUDY WOULD BE UNCLASSIFIED

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CARRIED OUT IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DRUG DEPENDENCE RESEARCH PROJECT, UNIVERSITY SAINS MALAYSIA.

B. DETERMINATION OF THE BENEFITS, HAZARDS AND ADVISABILITY OF USING AMPHETAMINES AND RELATED SUBSTANCES AS THERAPEUTIC ADJUNCTS IN THE MANAGEMENT OF HYPERACTIVE CHILDREN.
C. DETERMINATION, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, OF THE VARIOUS BEHAVIOURAL AND PATHO-PHYSIOLOGICAL EFFECTS ON THE EARLY

LIVES OF CHILDREN OF THE TRANS-PLACENTAL TRANSFER OF NARCOTIC DRUGS TO THE FOETUS DURING MATERNITY WITH ITS CONSEQUENT HAZARDS TO NEONATES AND THE DEVELOPING CHILD. A MEDICAL EXPERT WITH PROVEN COMPETENCE IN PEDIATRIC RESEARCH AND KNOWLEDGEABLE IN THE AREA OF THE IMPACT OF MATERNAL DRUG DEPENDENCE ON CHILDREN, WOULD BE IN CHARGE OF THIS COMPONENT OF THE PROJECT.

A CONSULTANT MAY BE INVITED TO COORDINATE THESE ACTIVITIES AND TO ADVISE ON THE STRUCTURE OF THE FINAL REPORT TO BE PUBLISHED IN AN APPROPRIATE FORM. VANDEN HEUVEL

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